NIH ROADMAP FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH: A BRIEFING BY THE NIH DIRECTOR AND SENIOR STAFF

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In September of 2003, National Institutes of Health Director Elias A. Zerhouni, M.D., launched a series of far-reaching initiatives known collectively as the NIH Roadmap for Medical Research. The NIH Roadmap initiatives are designed to speed the movement of research discoveries from the bench into practice for the benefit of the public.

Join us live or via webcast for a briefing on the implementation and future directions of the NIH Roadmap for Medical Research. NIH Director Elias A. Zerhouni, M.D., and other key NIH leaders will provide specific updates on requests for applications and other initiatives currently in circulation, describe future opportunities and answer questions about the NIH Roadmap's three themes: New Pathways to Discovery, Research Teams of the Future, and Re-engineering the Clinical Research Enterprise.

Representatives from academic health centers, professional organizations, and health advocacy groups are particularly encouraged to attend.

WHEN: Friday, February 27, 2004 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM ET

WHERE: Bethesda Marriott 5151 Pooks Hill Road Bethesda, MD USA (301) 897-9400

REGISTER: All meeting attendees must register in advance at http://www.nihroadmap.nih.gov -- NIH Roadmap Briefing.

WEBCAST: The webcast can be viewed live at http://www.nihroadmap.nih.gov -- NIH Roadmap Briefing. No advance registration is necessary to view the webcast.

Webcast viewers are invited to submit questions in advance to nihroadmap@nih.gov by February 24. The speakers will attempt to address as many questions as possible during their presentations.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, materials, speaker presentations, and a synopsis will be available on the NIH Roadmap Web site following the briefing.

For an orientation prior to the session, please visit the NIH Roadmap Web site at http://www.nihroadmap.nih.gov.

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